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## NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan and Philadelphia District Attorney Lynne Abraham today announced the filing of a five-count indictment<sup>1</sup> charging **ADRIAN HAIRSTON** with possession with intent to distribute cocaine base ("crack")(two counts), possession with intent to distribute cocaine base ("crack") within 1000 feet of a school(two counts), and possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime. The indictment alleges that on October 3, 2006, Hairston was in possession of approximately 6.7 grams of cocaine base ("crack") within 1,000 feet of Sayre High School, located at 5800 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, and on August 4, 2007, Hairston was in possession of cocaine base ("crack") and a loaded Firestar 9mm handgun within 1,000 feet of Bryant Academics Plus School, located at 6001 Cedar Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

This indictment is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, an initiative by the United States Attorney's Office, all District Attorney's Offices in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Philadelphia Police Department and other law enforcement agencies, to identify and prosecute firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendants are likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction. Defendant HAIRSTON faces a maximum sentence of life imprisonment and a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years imprisonment.

## INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
ADRIAN HAIRSTON	Philadelphia, PA	20

The case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant United States Attorney Arlene D. Fisk.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>An Indictment is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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